

S.O. 43

● (1410)

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

ACID RAIN POLLUTION FROM U.S. POWER PLANTS' CONVERSION FROM OIL TO COAL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Tom McMillan (Hillsborough): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. I am confident that hon. members on both sides of the House will provide the unanimous consent required.

In view of the fact that the United States has passed a bill to convert 80 power plants in the northeastern states from oil to coal, which will cause a disastrous increase in acid rain in both the United States and Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House urge the United States House of Representatives to modify the power plant conversion bill while there is still time, in order to restrict increased acid rain pollution from the conversions.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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STATUS OF WOMEN

HIRING OF WOMEN FOR ALASKA HIGHWAY NATURAL GAS PIPELINE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Miss Pauline Jewett (New Westminster-Coquitlam): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that this government has not yet signed an Affirmative Action agreement with Foothills Pipe Lines Ltd., and in view of the fact that the president and chief executive officer of Foothills, Mr. R. L. Pierce, stated to the Standing Committee on Northern Pipelines on June 19, 1980, that women possess 75 per cent of the brains of the population, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver East (Mrs. Mitchell):

That this House instructs the government to negotiate an Affirmative Action program with Foothills before pre-building is even considered, and ensure that this agreement includes a hiring quota of 75 per cent women.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM

NOTIFICATION OF GRANTS TO ALL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. David Crombie (Rosedale): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In light of the fact that the Minister of National Health and Welfare (Miss Bégin) yesterday indicated in a standing committee that all members of the House of Commons should be treated equally with respect to the administration of New Horizons grants, I would like to move, seconded by the hon. member for Broadview-Greenwood (Mr. Rae):

That this House support the Minister of National Health and Welfare's commitment that all Progressive Conservative and New Democratic Party members of Parliament receive the same communications on and notification of New Horizons grants as Liberal members of Parliament do.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

An hon. Member: Who said "No"?

Mr. Crombie: Madam Speaker—

Madam Speaker: Order, please. There were "Noes" and that is why I did not put this motion to the House.

Mr. Clark: Which minister said "No"?

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CP AIR

CRITICISM OF CABINET REVERSAL OF CTC DECISION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Thomas Siddon (Richmond-South Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to propose a motion of urgent and pressing importance.

In the light of last week's cabinet ruling which overturned a decision by the Canadian Transport Commission, a decision which had granted CP Air the right to provide one-stop transcontinental air service from Vancouver to Halifax via Toronto, and as this cabinet action contradicts commitment by a previous minister of transport, the Hon. Otto Lang, as reported in *Hansard* for November 8, 1978—

An hon. Member: Otto who?

Mr. Siddon:—that the Liberal government would not interfere with the authority of the CTC to make such decisions, based on careful consideration of all factors pertaining to the public interest, I move, seconded by the hon. member for North Vancouver-Burnaby (Mr. Cook):

That the Liberal government be severely censured for its despicable treatment of CP Air, which is Canada's only privately-owned transcontinental airline, and